(e) State Governments have been advised that in case of land acquisition for Special Economic Zones, first priority should be given to acquisition of waste and barren land and if necessary single crop agricultural could be acquired for the SEZs. If perforce a portion of double cropped agricultural land has to be acquired to meet the minimum area requirements, especially for multi-product Special Economic Zones, the same should not exceed 10% of the total land required for the SEZ.

Review meeting on acquisition of land for SEZs

† 879. SHRI MAHENDRA SAHNI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have considered/are considering to convene a review meeting on the acquisition of land for SEZs;

(b) if so, the number of such meetings held during the last one year;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the State-wise and Zone-wise details regarding the States, whether SEZs have been approved and the number thereof? ;

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH): (a) to (c) Land being a State subject, acquisition of land comes under the purview of the State Governments. However, the Ministry of Rural Development is currently formulating a revised rehabilitation policy namely the National Rehabilitation Policy 2007 with the objective to minimize displacement and to promote, as far as possible, non-displacing or least displacing alternatives, ensure adequate rehabilitation packages and expeditious implementation of the rehabilitation process with the active participation of the displaced persons. As and when the new policy is implemented, it will apply to acquisition; of land for industrial projects including SEZs.

(d) The details of SEZs approved under the provisions of the SEZ Act, 2005 are as follows:

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S.No	Name of the State/UT	No. of SEZs formally approved
1	Andhra Pradesh	44
2	Chandigarh	02
3	Delhi	01
4	Goa	04
5	Gujarat	19
6	Haryana	19
7	Jharkhand	01
8	Karnataka	27
9	Kerala	10
10	Madhya Pradesh	04
11	Maharashtra	47
12	Orissa	05
13	Pondicherry	01
14	Punjab	04
15	Rajasthan	03
16	Tamil Nadu	25
17	Uttaranchal	03
18	Uttar Pradesh	08
19	West Bengal	07
	TOTAL ;	234

SEZ proposals received

† 880. SHRI DATTA MEGHE:
SHRI MOTILAL VORA:
SHRI SATYAVRAT CHATURVEDI:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

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